CIVIL DEFENSE rescue training is given to some of the members of the Quincy Street Junior Civil Defense Wardens, a teen-age CD club in Chevy Chase, Md. Their instructor is Clarence Kalk. a

U.S. Patent Office employe and Montgomery County (Md.) Civil Defense member. The "victim" is lashed to a litter for lowering from the upper floors of a damaged building. OCDM Photo

MAIL SERVICE HAS BEEN EXTENDED

Mail service has been extended recently to 1,577,[illegible] additional American families and 195,346 business concerns, according to the newly issued "1958 Annual Report of the Postmaster General" for the year ended June 30, 1958.

Other pertinent facts about the postal service are:

1. 3,965 new city delivery routes were established during the twelve-month period, including city delivery service for the first time in 141 communities.

2. Annual mail volume increased to 60.13 billion pieces, compared with 59.07 billion in fiscal 1957.

3. Net postal revenues were $2.53 billion in fiscal '58, compared with $2.50 billion in fiscal '57.

4. First-class mail pieces (primarily letters) totaled 32.22 billion in 1958, compared with 31.56 billion in 1957.

5. Postal inspectors were responsible for a record 8,284 arrests for postal violations in 1958, 940 more than in the previous year.

6. Mail frauds hit an all time high, despite a conviction rate of 98.7 of persons brought to trial for postal crimes, going to the point where they are causing an "annual loss to the American public in excess of $100 million," Mr. Summerfield noted.

7. The first American postage stamps were printed at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing on the new Giori Press, capable of printing stamps in 3 colors in one operation—while postage stamps sales to collectors soared at the Philatelic Sales Agency in Washington, totaling $2,975,032 for '58, compared with $1,990,911 in fiscal '57.

8. The Post Office Department in fiscal 1958 laid the groundwork for maximum use of jet air mail with establishment of a new Joint Subcommittee of the Department and the Air Transport Association. The first domestic jet air mail service began Dec. 10, 1958.

9. Red tape was eliminated as 23,500 local postal forms used in hundreds of post offices were replaced by existing national forms or discontinued altogether.

10. Construction began in fiscal 1958 on 605 new post offices with 2½ million square feet of space, at an estimated private industry construction cost of more than $20 million.

11. A total of 2,096 trucks, tractors, trailers and mailsters were added to the postal vehicle fleet.

12. The accident frequency rate for postal vehicles was cut to 2.00 for each 100,000 miles of driving, compared with 2.24 for 1957, while thousands of postal drivers received the National Safety Council Safe Driver Award.

13. The number of postal employee suggestions adopted went up 42 over 1957.

In addition, Mr. Summerfield reported widespread advances in the fields of automation and mechanization.

Here are a few of the highlights in this field:

1. Two prototype automatic mail "culling" (separating various sizes of mail) machines were delivered in fiscal 1958. One was installed in a post office for operating tests with "live mail," and the other underwent initial tests in the contractor's laboratory. The machines have considerable promise, although improvements in the final design will be made before production units are ordered.

2. A pilot model semiautomatic facing and canceling machine was successfully tested in the Washington Post Office. Culled letters are manually fed into the pockets of an attached table and enter the machine in mixed handfuls or batches; photocells locate the stamps and actuate the canceling heads.

NEW REGULATION ON AUTO LIABILITY

Richmond, Va.- The $15.00 additional fee assessed every uninsured Virginia automobile owner when he picks up his license plates in March does not provide him with any form of insurance protection. This fee simply allows him to purchase his plates.

"Many Virginia car owners have the impression that this $15.00 protects the uninsured car owner in case of an accident," C. H. Lamb, Commissioner of the Division of Motor Vehicles, said today. "This is not so. The only thing he receives for his $15.00 is the privilege of operating an uninsured motor vehicle. He remains subject to all applicable provisions of the law when involved in an accountable accident and will be subject to suspension of operating privileges and license plates as he has in the past."

Under the provisions of the new automobile insurance program which was passed by the General Assembly in the spring and went into effect last October, the money collected from the assessments to the uninsured car owners is held in a special fund administered by the State Corporation Commission.

Lamb explained that this special fund is not available to pay for damages or injuries caused by an uninsured motorist. The fund will be distributed by the State Corporation Commission among the various insurance companies writing automobile liability insurance in Virginia based on the amount of automobile liability insurance these companies have written. It is hoped that such distribution will decrease the cost to the insured of the family policyholder endorsement now being paid by the insured automobile owner.

"The new feature included in all automobile liability insurance policies means that the insured car owner may be paid for damages for which an uninsured person is liable up to certain limits by the policyholder's own insurance company," he said.

He made it clear that an uninsured driver involved in an accident will have his license and operator's license suspended until he deposits security or releases from all persons injured or damaged in an accident.

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Father Darkleaf

by c. h. r.

[illegible] you are heading in the right [illegible]ction, when you pass away you [illegible] take your troubles with you.

[illegible] to see us yesterday was our [illegible] friend of the days the writer [illegible] on the radio: Dick Gooch, of [illegible]burg. Always glad to see old [illegible] even if they do try to [illegible]ade me to return to the air!

[illegible]m the goings on of some of [illegible] drivers, the new cars must be [illegible] with only two gears: high and [illegible]

[illegible] set of deer points, mounted and displayed in my den, are the result of any hunting skill Father Darkleaf. I couldn't hit [illegible]en door with an atomic bomb. [illegible] display is a gift of Mr. George [illegible] Doss, bless him and his love [illegible]unting.

[illegible]eems to me, that in these moments of concern in Virginia and [illegible] beloved South, we might find [illegible] in the hope, that our great [illegible]oSaxon traditions will roll on, [illegible] Old Man River, in full flood, [illegible]resistible and some[illegible] reach greener pastures. In the [illegible], we would do well to recall [illegible]recious words quoted by the [illegible] King George VI at the darkest [illegible] of England in World War II. [illegible]ld the people: "I said to the [illegible] who stood at the gate of the [illegible], give me a light that I might [illegible] tread out into the unknown. [illegible]man said, Put your hand in the [illegible] of God. That shall be to you [illegible] than a light, and safer than [illegible]own way."

[illegible]anks to a friend who was in [illegible] office Monday to renew a subscription. She told us of a family [illegible] wanted to invite the minister [illegible] for an evening meal. An effort [illegible] made to settle upon a suitable [illegible] Wednesday was got, because [illegible] Prayer Meeting night; and [illegible], was Thursday, because on [illegible]day was the date The Times-[illegible]rginian came out, and all hands [illegible] stay at home and read the [illegible]paper.

[illegible] folks are none too happy [illegible] it, when Friday comes on the [illegible] of a month. Tomorrow is the [illegible] of three such occasions during [illegible]

[illegible]ering through the western [illegible] of Louisiana, we noted tremen[illegible] stretches of freshly plowed [illegible]ready for cotton and rice. It [illegible]ms that cotton is still a great [illegible] in the economy of vast [illegible] of our country. The rice belt [illegible] well up the Mississippi. In our [illegible]rea, we have gotten away [illegible] the one- or -two-crop economy [illegible] that it is better that way. [illegible]ever, it is something for the [illegible] to see: the fields, perfectly [illegible] and as far as the eye can see, [illegible]rich black soil, ready for the big [illegible]crops.

[illegible]emonstration [illegible]lub Schedule

[illegible]ome Demonstration schedule [illegible] week of Feb. 9 - 13:

[illegible]onday, Feb. 9.- Bethany Club [illegible] meet with Mrs. Melvin Grisham [illegible] P .M.

[illegible]onday, Feb. 9.- The Richwood [illegible] will meet with Mrs. Carter [illegible]ris at 7:30 P. M.

[illegible]uesday ,Feb. 10.- Leader training meeting for house furnishings [illegible]ers will be held at home agent's [illegible] beginning at 10 A. M.

[illegible]ednesday, Feb. 10.- Clover Hill [illegible] will meet with Mrs. Mildred [illegible]nderson at 7:30 P. M.

[illegible]ednesday, Feb. 12.- Stonewall [illegible] will meet at 2 P. M. with Mrs. [illegible] Bondurant, Jr.

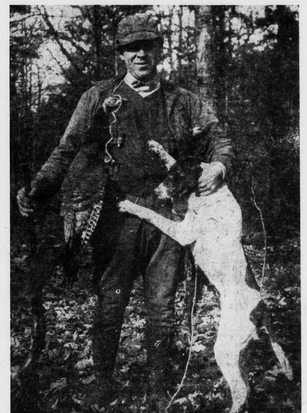
[illegible]UNIOR WOMANS CLUB

[illegible]he Appomattox Junior Woman's [illegible] met Tuesday evening, Jan. 27, [illegible] Appomattox Garment Co. [illegible]ern. Mrs. James Cravens ad[illegible]ed the club, using as her topic, [illegible]gin in the Home." Mrs. Cra[illegible] stressed the importance of [illegible]ental influence and authority in [illegible] the lives of Christian boys [illegible] girls.

[illegible] a short business meeting, [illegible] over by Mrs. Kenneth Cole[illegible], president, refreshments were [illegible]ved, Mrs .Ben Marshall, Mrs. [illegible]Hudson and Mrs. Bill Jamer[illegible] were hostesses.

Year To See Full Slate of Local Elections

Conner To Retire as County Game Warden After 37 Years



Known far and wide as a true [illegible] sportsman, Appomattox Game Warden, D. A. Conner, is shown above with a favorite dog.

ABOVE: Mr. D. A. Conner finds relaxation in the company of his friends and family. He is shown here with his granddaughter, Fay Conner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Conner.

By Mrs. Rachel F. Lawson

After serving for thirty - seven years as Game Warden of Appomattox County, Duval A. Conner will retire from this office on February 28th.

It was in 1922 that Mr. Conner was appointed to this position by the late McDonald Lee, then Game Commissioner of the State of Virginia. His duties prescribed were to enforce the Game, Fish and Dog Laws, which duties he has ably fulfilled. Mr. Conner succeeded the late Elantha M .Drinkard.

This was not the beginning of Mr. Conner's public career in this county. In 1912 he served as Tax Collector when the late Richard Floyd Burke was County Treasurer. He also served in this capacity under the treasurership of Mr. Richard L. Burke. Mr. Conner made no attempt to estimate the number of miles he traveled in horse and buggy or horseback while collecting delinquent taxes. He commented, "traveling then was slower but surer and the winters seemed longer and harder."

The late Judge George Hundley appointed Mr .Conner a Deputy Sheriff in 1918 to colaborate with the late H. Winston McKinney, then Sheriff. At this time horse and buggy traveling was on the decline, and automobiles were making their advent. Mr. Conner said that even then the slogan, "Crime does not pay" was prevalent, crimes were committed, the guilty were apprehended, stood trial and were sentenced or declared not guilty. He commented that in the Twenties, teen-agers were seldom seen in court, and child delinquency was in its infancy. He believes that automobiles have been a great contributor to the present deplorable situation of child delinquency.

According to our subject, hunting distilleries and working up evidence in these cases was his most fascinating work as a deputy sheriff.

Mr. Conner stated that game law violations now are definitely on the decline as the public becomes more familiar with the game laws. "When I first became Game Warden, I arrested as many as 23 violators of the Dog Law in one day. On one day I made seven arrests on charges of hunting out of season."

Mr. Conner wishes to take this means of expressing his sincere appreciation to the citizens of Appomattox County, both white and colored ,for their splendid cooperation in every phase of his work while serving in public offices. "The best people in the world live in Appomattox ,and I am proud to live among them," said Mr. Conner.

Mr. Conner was born in Appomattox County ,son of the late Jennings and Lucy O'Brien Conner. He married Miss Lois Coleamn. They are the parents of three children, Jennings W. (Sam) Conner, of Appomattox; Sydnor A. Conner, of Collinsville, and Mrs. Cecil C. Houchens, of Petersburg. They have five grandsons and one granddaughter.

GIRL SCOUT TROOP

Girl Scout Troop 41 held its regular meeting January 27. The meeting was called to order and the pledge to the American flag was given, and the Girl Scout promise. Delicious refreshments were served by the leaders. Afterwards, two plays wre given, The Window Wiper, and The Women's Chat.

Reporter: Grey Holland.

SPOUT SPRING S. C. A.

The Spout Spring S. C. A. met Jan. 27. Devotions were led by Dolly Ferguson and Ginger Bean. The treasurer's report was given by Gloria Puckett, Reports were also given by the welfare, health, library and lunch committees. Mrs. Thomas gave a brief talk on safety. This was discussed and it was decided that safety on the road and grounds be encouraged.

Reporter: N .H. Jones, Jr.

U .S. sees recovery slower than in 1955.

Opportunity To Grow Aromatic Tobacco

Those farmers interested in growing aromatic tobacco in 1959 should notify the county agent's office by Feb. 14. Growers must sign a contract with the company in order to market their tobacco. Seed is furnished by the companies.

RECEIVES PROMOTION

. . . L. H.Watson,Jr.

Lawrence H. Watson, Jr., has been appointed to the position of Administrative Assistant to the Region Operations Manager, Chesapeake Region, Cities Service Oil Co. He attended Appomattox High School, V. P. I., and the United States Naval Academy. Mr. and Mrs. Watson, Sr., reside at Rose Bower, Route 3, Appomattox.

Church Census To Be Taken

The ministers of the Appomattox County Ministerial Association wish to announce plans for taking a religious census in Appomattox. It is hoped that the voluntary information received by this means will be helpful to the residents as well as to the churches of the community.

Volunteers from participating churches will meet this coming Sunday afternoon at the Liberty Baptist Church to organize for the actual work of visiting the homes.

It is planned to gather the needed information by a brief call on each home on Sunday afternoon, February 15. It is hoped that the usual good co-operation of everyone will make this program a real success. More information will be given in a later announcement.

Family Loses All By Fire

On February 3, about 10:30 A. M., fire destroyed the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alonza "Doc" Morris at Madisonville. First to see the fire was Mrs. Hubert Johnson, a sister, who sent Edward Jones to notify the Charlotte C. H. Fire Department. By the time the firemen arrived, however, the fire and smoke were so intense that they were unable to save the property. The entire dwelling, appliances, furniture, clothing and personal effects, etc. were lost. This was a double tragedy for the Morris', inasmuch as it was the second home to burn out within three years.

Anyone desiring to help, may do so through the Morris' church, which will be assisting them. The four treasurers on the Pumplin Methodist Church Charge taking subscriptions for assistance are: Mrs. Jessie Carwile, Appomattox; Mrs. Ruby Clark, Pamplin; Mrs. Hunter Tolley, Piney Ridge Church, Pamplin, and Mr. Leslie Ramsey, Madisonville, Va.

CARRICO STATION LOST BY FIRE

Appomattox County Volunteer Firemen were called out at near midnight Monday, to answer an alarm from the service station of Claude Carrico, on Route 460, east of Appomattox. Unfortunately, the building could not be saved.

The year 1959 will be a big year insofar as the holding of local elections are concerned. Appomattox voters will be kept busy, casting ballots to fill a wide variety of offices.

The entire membership of the General Assembly comes up for election this year. Members of the House of Delegates are elected each two years ,and State Senators are named for four year terms. It is understood that State Senator Chas. T. Moses will seek another term ,and if re-elected, will become the senior State Senator in point of service. He is President Pro Tem of the Senate. Two years ago, Delegate John B. Boatwright, a veteran legislator, stated that he would retire, but at the insistance of his many friends he reconsidered, and was elected, without opposition, for another two-year term. His present intentions are not known, but it is likely that he would not have opposition were he to offer again.

To be elected this year are all county officers. County officers are elected for four-year terms, with the exception of the county clerk, who comes up for election every eight years. This is the year for all Virginia county clerks to be elected.

Appomattox County a veteran state, for the most part, of county officials ,and so far as is known, all will seek new terms.

The list to be elected includes the county clerk, commissioner of the revenue, sheriff, commonwealth's attorney ,and justices of the peace.

House and Senate candidates will be nominated in a Democratic primary on July 14, and must file by April 16, with names of at least 50 voters on petitions, and pay a filing fee of $21.60, or 2 per cent of annual salary.

Those running for the county offices must file by May 15, or 60 days before the primary election, and must also pay a filing fee of 2 per cent of annual salary. The filing must be made with the chairman of the Democratic Party in the county. Independent candidates, entering the November General Election may file later.

Independent candidates for county offices may file by September 4.

Also to be elected this year are Town of Appomattox officers. The Mayor and all six members of the Town Council will be elected in June, for two year terms. To vote in the town election, citizens must have paid capitation taxes by last Dec. 5, six months prior to election date. Candidates must file sixty days prior to election. There is no primary for town offices.

COLEMAN AT KEY WEST

Key West, Fla. (FHTNC) Charles S. Coleman, electrician's mate second class, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor H. Coleman, of Route 4, Appomattox, Va., is serving aboard the submarine tender USS Bushnell operating out of Key West, Fla.

The Bushnell provides services and facilities for submarines based at Key West.

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL CAFETERIA MENU

Feb. 9: Tomato soup with crackers, open face sandwich with melted cheese, waldorf salad, cookie, 1-2 pt. milk.

Feb. 10.- Beef hash on toast, baked potato, mixed greens, peaches, cookie, 1-2 pt .milk.

Feb. 11.- Hot dog in roll with dressing, tossed salad, baked beans, ice cream, 1-2 pt. milk.

Feb. 12.- Vegetable stew with crackers, 1-2 pork sandwich, purple plums, hot ginger bread, 1-2 pt. milk.

Feb. 13.- Chili con carne, string beans, whipped potatoes, hot yeast bread with butter, blueberry roll, 1-2 pt. milk.

DINNER MEETING FOR LEGION AUXILIARY

The American Legion Auxiliary, Unit 104, is planning a covered-dish dinner at the American Legion Home on Monday night, Feb. 9, at 6:30 o'clock. Husbands of members are invited as well as members of the American Legion and their wives.

Mrs. Ivey Holland, Americanism Chairman, will present the program.

Mrs .William T. Coyner, President of the American Legion Auxiliary, Department of Virginia, and Mrs .Malcolm Wynn, 4th District President, will be guests of the Unit for the meeting.

Miss Peebles Addressed Meeting Ot Appomattox Womans Club

Miss Anne Dobie Peebles, of Carson, president of the Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, was guest speaker at a dinner meeting of the Woman's Club of Appomattox Monday evening. Miss Peebles delighted the club members and their guests with her informative and well-rounded talk relative to the objectives of the VFWC during her current tenure of office. Miss Peebles was introduced by Mrs. Joel W. Flood, chairman of the Education Department of the local club, which department was sponsor of the program.

Presiding over the program was Mrs .Martin L. Webb, club president. Seated at the head table with Mrs. Webb and her husband, were the guest speaker, Mrs. Flood, and officers of the Woman's Club. Mrs. Ben Marshall, vice-president of the Junior Woman's Club, represented her club in the absence of the president, Mrs. Kenneth E. Coleman.

After calling on the Rev. James T. Cravens to return thanks, Mrs. Webb introduced special guests, including members of the Junior Woman's Club.

Miss Peebles revealed that the VFWC has slightly more than 25,000 members and it is not the material or tangible things that these women can contribute to make this a better world, but our influence, peculiarly ours to give. To substantiate this statement, she used a Biblical quotation: "Neglect not the power that is within thee." She believes that God has richly endowed all people with more than they use.

After careful study and deliberation, Miss Peebles said she chose the following areas of interest for the clubs during her regime: Edu-

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